

REGULATORY NOTICES
NEW YORK CLASS B HUDSON RIVER AND EAST RIVER
EXCLUSIONS
SPECIAL FLIGHT RULES AREA C.F.R. PART 93

Airspace

Special air traffic rules and communication requirements are in effect for persons operating aircraft under VFR, to, from, or in the vicinity of the New York Class B airspace. These procedures are in effect within the following boundaries:

Hudson River: That airspace below 1300 feet MSL between the east and west banks of, and overlying, the Hudson River within the area beginning north of LaGuardia Airport on the west bank of the Hudson River at lat. 40°57'45"N., long. 73°54'48"W (near Alpine Tower) thence south along the west bank of the Hudson River to intersect the Colts Neck VOR-DME 023° (M) radial, thence southwest along the Colts Neck 023° (M) radial to the Hudson River shoreline, thence south along the shoreline to the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, thence east along the bridge to the east bank of the Hudson River, thence north along the east bank of the Hudson River to lat. 40°38'39"N., long. 74°02'03"W., thence north along a line drawn direct to the southwesternmost point of Governors Island, thence north along a line drawn direct to the southwest tip of Manhattan Island, thence north along the east bank of the Hudson River to the LGA VOR-DME 11-mile arc, north of LaGuardia Airport, thence counterclockwise along the 11-mile arc to lat. 40°57'54"N., long. 73°54'23"W, thence to the point of beginning.

East River: That airspace below 1500 feet MSL between the east and west banks of, and overlying, the East River beginning at lat. 40°38'39"N., long. 74°02'03"W., to the southwestern tip of Governors Island to the southwestern tip of Manhattan Island, thence north along the west bank of the East River to the LGA VOR-DME 6-mile arc; thence counterclockwise along the 6-mile arc to the east bank of the East River, thence south along the east bank of the East River to the point of beginning at lat. 40°38'39"N., long. 74°02'03"W.; and that airspace 1100 feet MSL and below between the east and west banks of, and overlying, the East River from the LGA VOR-DME 6-mile arc to the northern tip of Roosevelt Island.

Communications

**Required communications
and mandatory reporting points**

No person may operate an aircraft within the airspace specified above unless that person continuously monitors and communicates, as appropriate, on the designated common traffic advisory frequency (CTAF). Pilots self-announce at the following charted mandatory reporting points:

Alpine Tower
GWB
Intrepid
Goldman Sachs
Statue of Liberty
VZ

Include the following information: aircraft type, current position, direction of flight and altitude.

Aircraft Operation

Aircraft operation requirements

The following practices are mandatory in both the Hudson River and East River Exclusions:

Maintain an indicated airspeed not to exceed 140 knots.
Anti-collision lights and aircraft position/navigation lights shall be on. Use of landing lights is recommended.
Pilots must have a current New York TAC and/or New York Helicopter Route Chart in the aircraft and familiarize themselves with the information contained therein.

The following practices are mandatory in the Hudson River Exclusion:

Fly along the west shoreline of the Hudson River when southbound, and along the east shoreline of the Hudson River when northbound.
Aircraft overlying the area within the Hudson River Exclusion, but not landing or departing any of the Manhattan heliports or landing facilities, or conducting any local area operations, must transit the Hudson River Exclusion at or above an altitude of 1000 feet MSL up to, but not including, the floor of the overlying Class B airspace.
Self-announce as described above under Communications.

The following practices are mandatory in the East River Exclusion:

VFR flight operations by fixed-wing aircraft (excluding seaplane fixed-wing aircraft landing or departing the New York Skyports, Inc., Seaplane base) in the East River Class B Exclusion (from the southwestern tip of Governors Island to the northern tip of Roosevelt Island) are prohibited unless authorized and being controlled by ATC. To obtain authorization, pilots must contact LaGuardia Airport Traffic Control Tower prior to Governors Island.
Self-announce position on the appropriate CTAF.

